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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Pollution Probe – Position on Oral Hearing
EB-2010-0279 – Ontario Power Authority – Fiscal 2011**

Pursuant to the request of Board counsel, we write to provide Pollution Probe's position regarding whether this matter should be heard orally.

In light of the number of unsettled issues and competing evidence that various parties have filed, Pollution Probe submits that an oral hearing is the most appropriate and efficient forum to determine this matter. Pollution Probe notes that other parties have provided various detailed reasons that illustrate why an oral hearing should be held, and Pollution Probe does not intend to repeat those reasons here. Pollution Probe also submits that no efficiencies would be gained by having part of the hearing determined in writing given the number of issues outstanding and the current status of the record.

Yours truly,



Basil Alexander

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Encl.

cc: Applicant and Intervenors per Appendix A to *Issues Decision and Procedural Order No. 2* by email